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VOTE NO ON NUMBER 5 THE CHIROPRACTIC INITIATIVE

Certain groups of Chiropractors apparently believe that California can only be won by violence and that the violent will bear away the palm. The campaign for this purpose was outlined in "Fountain News," page 4, Number 34-35, published by the Palmer School of Chiropractic, Davenport, Iowa. We can understand this brazen defiance of law when we read in "Fountain News" that these law-defying chiropractors are "working under instructions from a past master at fighting. Let the legislature make its laws and the Medical Board try to enforce them. *Give Me the Newspaper Space*—Give Me Publicity, and they can have all else, and we will cop the verdicts of the juries."

Does this character of campaign appeal to the people of California? Millions have been recently voted by Los Angeles County and by other counties for education. The Chiropractic Initiative, which will appear as Number Five on the November Ballot, makes a mockery of present educational standards and sets at naught all the ascertained facts concerning health promotion and disease prevention. The bold announcements of Chiropractic Colleges derive their chief persuasion from the cash register. "There's big money in it. People who have failed in other walks of life are making \$5000.00 and upwards." This deplorable commercialism coupled with profound ignorance and blatant quackery present a dangerous combination. It has been demonstrated time and again that the most worthless patent medicine backed by ample advertising will win a great following. Ponzi unchecked would have attained a financial standing greater than the soundest financiers. The Ponzis in the healing art leave many wrecks behind, but as long as they

can flaunt testimonials like fake patent medicines, they will thrive and their dupes will pay the price.

The proposed Chiropractic Initiative Measure which will be presented for vote of the people at the November general election, is loosely drawn and full of ambiguous provisions, which by subtle suggestion seek to lull suspicion as to the dangers that lie hidden in the verbiage.

(1) The members of the Board are not required to be citizens of the State of California. "Each member (of the proposed Board) must have pursued a resident course in a regularly chartered chiropractic school or college and must be a graduate thereof and hold a diploma therefrom." Careful scrutiny of Sec. 1 fails to disclose any requirement as to the length of the course which the prospective Board member must have pursued "in a regular chartered Chiropractic School." The records of the Board of Medical Examiners show many instances where residents of this State have possessed themselves of a diploma issued by the Palmer Chiropractic School of Ottumwa or Davenport, Iowa, the Gregory School of Chiropractic, Oklahoma City, the Carver School of Chiropractic, located in the same city, or other extra-State Chiropractic schools, without leaving the confines of the State of California.

(2) The proposed act does not permit the Board to exercise any supervision over any college or school whose graduates may come before the Board.

(3) There is no mention therein as to the number of examination questions to be propounded to the applicants in the specified subjects of examination, as listed.

(4) Sec. 6—The Secretary is not required to perpetuate a record of each examination.

(5) Sec. 6—No requirement as to the num-

Correspondence

WELL DESERVED TRIBUTES

June 24, 1920.

To the Secretary:

I am enclosing you my check for fifteen dollars, also one-year note for fifteen dollars, covering amount for Indemnity Fund, Medical Society, State of California.

As you of course know by this time, the case of — terminated favorably for us and I wish to express my thanks to the State Society Defense in this case. I wish especially to show my appreciation of the very painstaking and thorough manner in which Mr. Morrow handled this case. It surely impressed me strongly with the thought that every physician in the State should be a member of this Defense Fund.

Again expressing my appreciation in this matter, Believe me,

Fraternally yours,

July 21, 1920.

To the Secretary:

Referring to the recent case of —, I beg to express my appreciation of your fraternal co-operation, not only in feeling but practical demonstration.

Through the valuable assistance of attorney Hartley F. Peart, whom you sent me without solicitation upon my part, I feel that the case was brought to it's effectual close without proceeding to trial; which fact alone, as you well know meant not only a great saving of energy but of working hours, a thing of far more importance.

Thanking you again for your fraternal co-operation, I am,

Very sincerely,

THE PHYSICIAN'S RESPONSIBILITY

August 5, 1920.

To the Editor:

Dear Sir: With reference to the article appearing in the August number of the "Journal," "What Are You Doing to Defeat the Anti-Health and Anti-Medical Legislation," by Walter C. Alvarez, M. D., San Francisco, and especially concerning the four points thereof, namely: the projects to stop all animal experimentation in California, to abolish compulsory vaccination, to establish a special licensing board for chiropractors, and that which excludes osteopaths from those who are entitled to have use of hypodermic syringes, I believe it a necessity that some means of propaganda be advanced in order that the public be more generally informed as to the facts and circumstances governing these points.

As in all other affairs in which it is desired that the populace be actually informed, no hesitation is sustained in making them known. I believe that the meager efforts on the part of the physician is not sufficient in driving home such enlightenment. There is no doubt about the fact that the average practitioner will conceive of the importance of defeating these projects, but insofar as practicalities are concerned, though his conscientious efforts be extensive, it would be very improbable that sufficient time, contact, conviction, et cetera, be devoted to such efforts. It is true the physician should exert every effort in his power, but it is a decided impracticality to throw the entire responsibility on his shoulders of informing the public. It is approaching commercialism to an extent when we consider the circulation of printed matter, but no one will doubt its efficacy in delivering a forceful and righteous argument and reaching every mortal whom it concerns.

It is beyond doubt that every modern physician fully appreciates the vast importance of defending the profession as well as protecting the public and hence there would be no hesitation in contributing a small sum for such a purpose, and therefore I suggest that if on account of limited finances the State Medical Society would not consider a thorough and extensive propaganda, it would be only right to levy an assessment.

Isn't it appalling to conceive of a people who on one hand advocate the slaughtering of thousands, yea, millions of head of live-stock annually for the purpose of gratifying their palate, and on the other would for a moment contemplate preventing the use of the lowly forms of animal development in the pursuit of information and means that serve as an everlasting aid to health and maintenance of life?

Very truly yours,

R. L. STURGES.

BEWARE THE SWINDLER

San Francisco, Calif., August 10, 1920.

To the Editor:

L. J. Goodrich, D. O., wrote us from Santa Barbara, Calif., under date of January 23, 1920, regarding a Dr. C. Benjamin Schoenfeld, "who recently called on Dr. Goodrich claiming that he was a registered physician and surgeon in California; represented himself to be traveling in the interest of some 52 appliance manufacturers, and on the strength of that obtaining money, claiming \$20.00 as a fee for the bonding company."

In the San Francisco Chronicle under date of May 11, 1920, was a press dispatch, stating that "Dr. C. B. Schoenfeld, an osteopath, claiming to be from Reno, was held in Sacramento on a charge of attempting to pass a fictitious check for \$20.00."

The Secretary of the Nevada Board wrote us under date of June 5 that he had no knowledge of Dr. C. B. Schoenfeld, stating further: "He is no doubt a fraud, if not a criminal."

Under date of June 11, 1920, the Chief of Police of Sacramento wrote us that Dr. C. B. Schoenfeld was arrested in Sacramento May 1, 1920, for passing bad checks, and was later released on May 14, 1920, his case being dismissed. "We had information that he was wanted in Berkeley for embezzlement and also in San Francisco. His whereabouts are unknown to us at the present time."

We are sending you this item of news, having in mind the possibility of said individual traveling throughout the State and imposing upon the profession.

Yours very truly,

C. B. PINKHAM, M. D.,

Secretary-Treasurer.

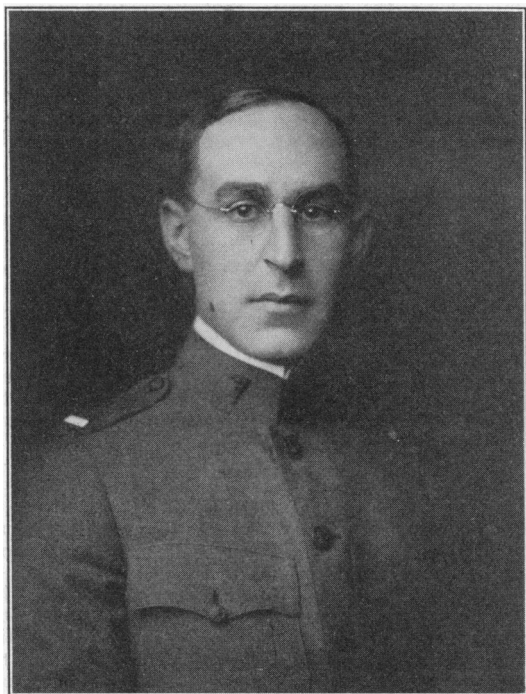
Notices

The twenty-fifth annual meeting of the American Academy of Ophthalmology and Oto-Laryngology will be held in Kansas City, Mo., October 14, 15, 16, 1920, at the Hotel Muehlebach. The local members of the Academy and their friends are making arrangements to give all those who attend a pleasant time. The medical profession is cordially invited.

Doctor Warfield Longcope, of Columbia University, New York, who is coming to San Francisco as a guest of the California Academy of Medicine, is to hold two clinics, to which the medical profession at large is invited. At ten o'clock on Friday morning, September third, he will hold a clinic at the University of California Hospital on "Syphilitic Aortitis." At the same time on Saturday morning he will hold a clinic at the Stanford Medical School on "Hodgkin's Disease."

American physicians and nurses with the American Zionist Medical Unit, who have taught the native members of the profession, all the latest ideas in medical work and sanitation. Clinics are held by the American doctors, to demonstrate to the Palestinian doctors, the most modern methods, and lectures are given at regular intervals.

The hospitals and clinics established by the American Zionist Medical Unit in Palestine, are planned as the beginnings of the Medical College of the Hebrew University at Jerusalem, which Prof. Patrick Geddes, noted town planner of the University of Edinburgh, is designing.



Obituary

CHARLES ARTHUR PAUSON—1883-1920
San Francisco

Born in San Francisco, a boy in her public schools, alumnus of California's university, a doctor from her medical department, interne, quiet practitioner in the profession of his choice, lieutenant, captain, and major in France in the medical corps of America's army, citizen, and civil surgeon once more—such was the chronicle of Charles Arthur Pauson's life when at thirty-seven and on June twenty-ninth he stepped suddenly from the working world into the shadow. Scarce half the time allotted men for the completion of their life's task and yet that work well done. At twenty he had renounced a competency to accept the asceticism of his profession; at twenty-five, choice, voice and energy ranked him with the eternal minority in medicine; at thirty he led it by sheer force of rightness and ability; when not yet forty he died, beloved as colleague, friend and fellowman.

The record of Charles A. Pauson's life is the record of an individual in medicine. In a day when state medicine is in the air, group medicine an accomplished thing and medical practice seems sick at heart, it is well to ponder this fact. When mere words, like efficiency and organization, when paper groups and mere appellations in specialisms are accepted as cure-alls, it should be remembered that shadows lack substance and that our profession stands and falls only as the individual doctor heals or fails with his individual patient. Pau-

son brought public esteem to his calling because the world that touched him found him more than expert surgeon—a doctor with human vision, individually responsible to and for the whole of a patient's interests.

In spite of his gentleness of soul, he compromised nowhere on principle. Enemies he never had, and his adversaries became his supporters through argument. He made converts to his ideals in medicine by example. Never coercive, never a propagandist, he bade those interested to come and see with him what he saw.

I have it from his companions in arms that even in the stress of campaign something larger than the maintenance of effectiveness at the front moved him. Officers were his associates and friends; privates went to him not only on command but sought him through desire. Their affection for the regimental surgeon and his for them tore constantly across the strands of official red tape.

Death found him carrying with his constant smile the burdens of his private and public charges. As staff surgeon in Mount Zion Hospital he stood between a past and a future, anxious to interpret to his own generation the memories and traditions of older men while insistent that impetuous youth have its opportunity.

His friends may insist for him that life is played in three acts and that he had one more to go. He would himself have joined Aurelius: "Very well then! Life is complete in two." M. H. F.

New Members

N. N. Ashley, Benicia; Vischi, G. J., Stockton; Brothers, H. N., Santa Ana; Osburn, P. Priestley, Anaheim; Heuler, L., Fellows; Brigham, Edgar, Dinuba; Baer, Herman, Elsinore; Gregory, Verdo B., Hemet; Thuresson, Paul F., Riverside; Walker, Harold W., Riverside; Barnes, Wallace H., San Francisco; Sappington, S. O., San Francisco; Smith, R. Nichol, Los Angeles; Huckins, H. S., Pasadena; Finch, Wm. C., Los Angeles; Schulz, R. L., Los Angeles; Bagg, Chas. P., Los Angeles; Magee, Chester L., Los Angeles; Horgan, E. J., San Francisco; Washburn, W. W., San Francisco; Irvine, Robert S., South San Francisco; Drake, D. D., San Francisco; Lorentz, Jr., Robert, San Francisco; Ware, John G., Santa Barbara; Mapes, R. J., Oakland; Moffett, Edw. D., Berkeley; Barber, E. H., Oakland.

Transferred

Rooney, H. T., from Placer Co. to San Francisco Co.; Muller, A. C., from Sonoma Co. to Tulare Co.

Deaths

Beukers, J. M., Berkeley, Calif. A graduate of University of Leyden, Holland, 1890. Licensed in California, 1890. Died August 15, 1920.

Furtney, Henry, Orosi, Cal. A graduate of College of Physicians and Surgeons, Keokuk, Iowa, 1888. Licensed in California, 1888. Died July 19, 1920. Age 63.

Hoey, Matthew J. A graduate of College of Physicians and Surgeons, San Francisco, Calif., 1905. Licensed in California, 1916. Died at the Marine Hospital, San Francisco, August 2, 1920.

Russell, Edwin Herbert. A graduate of Boston University Medical School, Mass., 1880. Licensed in California, 1883. Died in Los Angeles, July 16, 1920.

Schumann, Hugo. A graduate of American Medical College, Mo., 1876. Licensed in California, 1889. Died in Oakland, Cal., June 30, 1920.

Eidenmuller, Wm. C. A graduate of University City of New York Medical Department, 1884. Licensed in California 1884.